

Section 4-17.2-2. Exceptions; local vehicle registration license fee.

1. Provisions of this Article shall not apply to the property exempted from State registration under the Code of Virginia, Article 6, Chapter 6 of Title 46.2, as amended. Provisions of Article 17.2 shall also be subject to the restrictions set forth in Virginia Code § 46.2-755, as amended.

2. The local vehicle registration license fee shall not be applicable to the following classes of vehicle:

(a) Any motor vehicle owned by the state or any political subdivision thereof or is owned by the United States government;

(b) Any motor vehicle, owned and used for personal or official purposes by accredited consular or diplomatic officers of foreign governments, their family members and employees, who are nationals of the state by which they are appointed and are not citizens of the United States;

(c) Any motor vehicle whose owner is on full-time active duty in the military service absent from his state of residence or domicile, which vehicle is normally garaged, stored or parked in the County or on a United States military base within the geographic boundaries of the County and registered in this state or any other jurisdiction. The local vehicle registration license fee shall also not be applicable to a qualifying spouse of a military service member pursuant to this subsection. For purposes of this subsection, a qualifying spouse of a military service member shall mean that a spouse of a servicemember shall neither lose nor acquire domicile for purposes of the local vehicle registration license fee by reason of being present in Fairfax County solely to be with the servicemember in compliance with the servicemember's military orders if the domicile is the same for the servicemember and the spouse.

(d) Any motor vehicle owned by a person who is granted tax relief in accordance with Chapter 4, Article 16.1 of the Fairfax County Code for that vehicle. Within any given household, this relief shall apply to one (1) and only one (1) vehicle;

(e) Any motor vehicle used as a daily rental passenger vehicle;

(f) Upon proof of State qualification and payment of the appropriate personal property tax, the following eligible applicants are entitled to exemption from the local vehicle registration license fee on one (1) and one (1) only vehicle:

(1) Any disabled veteran, as defined and licensed under Virginia Code § 46.2-739 and 46.2-755(B);

(2) Any honorably-discharged prisoner of war as defined and licensed under Virginia Code §46.2-746;

(3) Any person awarded the Medal of Honor as defined and licensed under Virginia Code §46.2-745;

(4) Any member of the Virginia National Guard as defined and licensed under Virginia Code §46.2-744; and,

(5) Any owner of antique motor vehicles as defined and licensed under Virginia Code §46.2-730.

(g) The local vehicle registration license fee shall not be applicable to vehicles owned by the following:

(1) Vehicles owned by volunteer rescue squads;

(2) Vehicles owned by volunteer fire departments;

(3) Vehicles owned or leased by auxiliary police officers;

(4) Vehicles owned or leased by auxiliary police chaplains;

(h) The local vehicle registration license fee shall not be applicable to vehicles owned by the following:

(1) Vehicles owned or leased by active members of volunteer fire departments; and

(2) Vehicles owned or leased by active members of volunteer rescue squads

(3) In the case of active members of volunteer rescue squads and volunteer fire departments, applications to the Department of Tax Administration (DTA) for exemption from a local vehicle registration license fee shall be accompanied by written evidence, in a form acceptable to the locality of their active membership, and no member shall receive a fee exemption for more than one (1) and only (1) vehicle.